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(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Alf Olsen et al.

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Application No.: 10/813,073

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Art Unit: 2878

For: AMPLIFICATION WITH FEEDBACK  
CAPACITANCE FOR  
PHOTODETECTOR SIGNALS

Examiner: S. K. Yam

**APPLICANTS' COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS  
FOR ALLOWANCE**

MS Issue Fee  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants agree in part with the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, contained in the Notice of Allowance of November 15, 2006 in that the prior art of record fails to disclose, teach or suggest the claimed invention. However, Applicants note that the Examiner's statement fails to address all limitations of all of the allowed claims. For example, certain claim limitations were not discussed in the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance, including those in most of the allowed claims, each of which defines a unique combination of features not shown or suggested by the prior art, providing additional reasons for allowance of each claim.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that the scope of the claimed invention should not be limited by the Examiner's statement, but rather the scope of the claimed invention should be based on the actual language of the allowed claims.

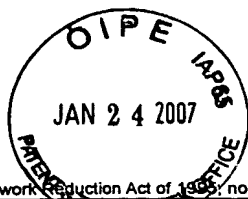
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> For FY 2006		<b>Complete if Known</b>		
		Application Number	10/813,073-Conf. #4647	
Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). Effective on 12/08/2004.		Filing Date	March 31, 2004	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		First Named Inventor	Alf Olsen	
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<b>FEE CALCULATION</b>							
<b>1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES</b>							
	<b>FILING FEES</b>		<b>SEARCH FEES</b>		<b>EXAMINATION FEES</b>		
<b>Application Type</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Small Entity Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Small Entity Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Small Entity Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fees Paid (\$)</b>
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
<b>2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES</b>							
<b>Fee Description</b>						<b>Small Entity Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)						200	100
Multiple dependent claims						360	180
<b>Total Claims</b>		<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>	<b>Multiple Dependent Claims</b>		
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<b>Indep. Claims</b>		<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>			
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<b>3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE</b>							
If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).							
<b>Total Sheets</b>	<b>Extra Sheets</b>	<b>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>			
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<b>4. OTHER FEE(S)</b>							
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)							
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1501 Utility issue fee					1,400.00		
1504 Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal ...					300.00		
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